

# City of Richmond

## Department of Metropolitan Development

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### News Release

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#### Citizens' Advisory Council Meets

**Richmond, IN** - The Citizens' Advisory Council met on September 24 to share progress on current projects for the implementation of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

The 12 team leaders meet quarterly to discuss what their volunteer community members are working on and how to further their projects by collaborating with each other.

Economic Development lead by Bob Hansen reported a trip to Subaru to learn about zero landfill is planned. Central Business District lead by Peter Zaleski reported on the development of wireless connection Uptown. City Image and Identity lead by Phil Quinn & Bobbi Gardner reported on marketing City website and logo plans. Community Services lead by Porter Miller reported on creating a Capital Improvement Plan. Education lead by Kelly Baumgartner reported Communities In Schools is adding hours spent in schools. Parks & Recreation lead by Avis Stewart reported a grant has been awarded for the Master Plan and an Endowment has been established for donations through the Wayne County Foundation. Transportation lead by Larry Richards reported bike route maps and Transit maps with bike routes have been printed and are available to the public. Government lead by Tony Foster reported that the first draft of the new zoning code is currently being developed. Sustainability & Conservation lead by Stephanie Hays-Mussoni reported that tracking of recycling and electric and gasoline usage is ongoing in the City Building and Sanitation District Office. Housing lead by Darlene Moegerle reported a Continuum of Care Committee has been formed to access grants. Land Use lead by Steve Higginbotham reported updating zoning code and annexation policies is underway. Youth Services lead by Vivian Ashmawi reported that RCS received a Safe Schools Healthy Students Grant.

A new team is forming that will focus on Creative Industries. The City welcomes any citizen that is interested in these topics and/or would like to join a team to call Sarah Mitchell at 983-7217 at the City Building for more information.

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